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DEPARTMENT

Gentlemen:


I am enclosing copies of a project report and proposed new budget submitted by Dr. Rodger Bick for continuation of his research on lung cancer. Dr. Bick received a CTR Special Project for 1986-87 in the amount of \$36,833. He is now requesting continued funding in the amount of \$29,476.30 and we recommend approval.

Dr. Bick is an oncologist-hematologist who has been conducting a study on different aspects of lung cancer in Kern County, California, for the past eight years. As shown by the enclosed report, Dr. Bick has studied data on various characteristics of lung cancer that was gathered from the hospitals in Kern County. The male to female ratio has remained fairly constant throughout the eight years of study as has the cell type distribution. There also appear to be regional, ethnic, and racial differences in lung cancer rates in the county. Dr. Bick has been especially interested in the amount of lung cancer among certain occupational groups, especially agricultural workers.

We believe that Dr. Bick's work represents a significant effort by a clinical physician to study lung cancer in a defined geographic area. Dr. Sommers is of the view that the research is worthy of further support. It is our recommendation that this project be approved as a CTR Special Project.

Your early response to this request would be appreciated.

Sincerely,


Patrick M. Sirridge

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cc & enc: Ms. Janet C. Brown
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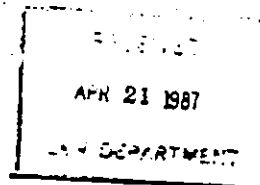
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Re: Dr. Carl C. Seltzer

Gentlemen:

Dr. Seltzer has requested renewal of his CTR Special Project for the period July 1, 1987, through June 30, 1988, in the amount of \$70,000. Dr. Seltzer's current project, funded in the same amount through the Peabody Museum, will terminate June 30, 1987.

Dr. Seltzer has remained active in the past year analyzing literature dealing with heart disease and advancing his scientific views questioning the claimed relationship between smoking and heart disease. He has a manuscript in press with the Annals of Allergy entitled "Adolescent Smoking and Early Respiratory Disease: A Longitudinal Study," coauthored with Frank W. Oechsli and Bea van den Berg.

He is also working on several other manuscripts with these same authors and is continuing to work on a sizable manuscript presently titled "Do Framingham Heart Data Support the Surgeon General's Conclusions on Cigarette Smoking and Heart Disease?"

We recommend approval of this CTR Special Project.

Sincerely,


Donald K. Hoel

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